

**Remarks**

In response to the Office Action of October 18, 2004, Applicants provide herein above, a complete listing of the claims.

Applicants note that the Examiner has changed the grouping of claims, placing claim 20 under Group I.

Applicants reaffirm the election of Group II, with traverse, for the reason set forth in the response filed July 28, 2004. It is again pointed out that the particulars of the fastening system in the Group I claims is essentially similar to the fastening system in the Group II claims, with some minor variations. Applicants believe that both groups of claims could be examined together and should be present in a single patent, not multiple patents.

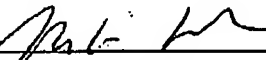
This election is made **with traverse**. Applicants specifically reserve the right to seek patent protection for non-elected subject matter by divisional application.

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